Mirror Group
Activity Report 2012/2013

Brussels, 30 April 2013
Role and objectives of the Mirror Group:

- Support and reflect ("mirror") the activities of the ETP at policy level and from a governmental perspective;

- Support the implementation of the Photonics21 strategic research agenda;

- Exchange best practice and promote photonics in national and regional research programmes;

- Create and prepare joint strategies, measures and activities at government and policy level.
Present composition of the Mirror Group:

National and regional public authority representatives from Austria, Belgium, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Poland, Spain, Sweden, the Netherlands, the UK and the European Commission.

Representatives from further countries/regions are welcome!
Activities of the Mirror Group in 2012/2013

Main topics during the two meetings held in the period:

- Mutual updates on national activities
- Input to Work Programme 2013
- Input to preparation of HORIZON 2020
- “Bottom-up” approach for funding of transnational projects
- Preparation and implementation of ERANET-Plus Actions
ERANET-Plus in Photonics:

- Single joint call for proposals in a focussed area
- (Virtual) common pot for funding of transnational projects
- 2/3 from national and regional funding, 1/3 from EC
- Can be more industrially focussed than a standard FP7 call
- Allows for small consortia and projects
- Minimum of 2 participating countries per project
Joint ERANET-Plus calls

2010: PIANO+
Internet Access Networks

2011: OLAE+
Organic Electronics

2012: BiophotonicsPlus
Photicnic Appliances for Life Science and Health
PIANO+ (Photonics-based Internet Access Networks Of the future)

Call topic
• Photonic technologies and system architectures for radical, cost-effective enhancement of the Access Network

Participating Countries
• Germany, UK, Israel, Poland, Austria

Funding
• €22.3m (€14.9m from MS + €7.4m EC topping-up)

Status:
• 13 projects selected for funding
• Grant agreements issued, projects are running
OLAE+  (Organic and Large Area Electronics)

Call topic

• New and innovative OLAE materials and manufacturing techniques and their use in new functional devices and systems

Participating Countries

• Austria, Flanders (Belgium), Germany, Israel, Poland, Catalonia (Spain), Sweden, UK

Funding

• €18m  (€12m from MS + €6m EC topping-up)

Status:

• 12 projects selected for funding
• Grant agreements issued or under preparation, projects are running or about to start.
BiophotonicsPlus (Photonic appliances for life sciences and health)

Participating Countries
• Catalonia, Flanders, Germany, Israel, Latvia, Tuscany, UK

Funding
• €15m (€10m from MS + €5m EC topping-up)

Status:
• 26 full proposals submitted with total costs of €40m (funding requested €24m)
• presently going through the evaluation process
• projects to be started from autumn 2013 onwards
Thank you!